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COMMENTS ON STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

Dear Sir:

The Examiner's statement of reasons for allowance have been directed to specific aspects of certain claims and not necessarily all of the claims. Applicant also notes that the Examiner's comments may have paraphrased the language of the claims and it should be understood that the language of the claims themselves set out the scope of the claims. Thus, it is noted that the claim language should be viewed in light of the exact language of the claim rather than any paraphrasing or implied limitations thereof.

Respectfully submitted,

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